

MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL

COUNCIL

14 DECEMBER 2011

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

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URGENT DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE

1. CABINET MEMBER FOR COMMUNITY AND LEISURE SERVICES

The Cabinet Member for Community and Leisure Services agreed on 04 November 2011 that the decision set out below was urgent and needed to be actioned within the call-in period. In accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules of the Constitution, the Mayor, in consultation with the Head of Paid Service and the Chairman of the Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee, agreed that the decision was reasonable in all the circumstances and should be treated as a matter of urgency and not be subject to call-in.

Youth Service Provision

The Cabinet Member for Community and Leisure Services considered Kent County Council's (KCC) proposed changes and reductions to youth provision within the Borough, particularly the proposals to withdraw from two of its three youth centres, and the feedback to KCC of the views of stakeholders, young people and residents.

Decision Made

1. That KCC be asked to re-consider its proposals for Maidstone regarding the reduction in the number of youth centres from three to one and the decrease in detached youth work.
2. That the Manor, Shepway Youth and Community Centre rather than Infozone be identified as the "hub" for Maidstone if youth centre reductions are made.
3. That KCC ensure that Maidstone Borough Council is given the opportunity to jointly commission youth services in future, from voluntary and community organisations and social enterprises.

Reason for Urgency

The Cabinet Member for Community and Leisure Services determined that his decision was urgent because the closing date for submission of the Council's response to KCC's consultation was 04 November 2011.

RECOMMENDED:

This report is for information only.

Background Documents:

Record of Decision of the Cabinet Member for Community and Leisure Services dated 04 November 2011

2. CABINET MEMBER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORT

The Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Transport agreed on 17 November 2011 that the decision set out below was urgent and needed to be actioned within the call-in period. In accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules of the Constitution, the Mayor, in consultation with the Head of Paid Service and the Chairman of the Regeneration and Economic Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee, agreed that the decision was reasonable in all the circumstances and should be treated as a matter of urgency and not be subject to call-in.

Appointment of Director to Maidstone Town Centre Management Limited and Representative of Council at General Meetings of the Company

The Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Transport considered who to nominate to be a Director of Maidstone Town Centre Management Ltd, who should attend meetings of the company on behalf of the Council as a member and how that person should vote at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

Decision Made

1. That Steve Goulette be nominated as a director of Maidstone Town Centre Management Ltd.
2. That the Head of Legal Services represent the Council in its role as a member of the company at general meetings of the company.
3. That, at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, the Head of Legal Services vote in favour of the proposals set out in the Maidstone Town Centre Management Ltd 11th Annual General Meeting Agenda as attached at Appendix 1 to the report of the Chief Executive and Head of Legal Services.
4. That the Head of Legal Services exercise the Council's vote at future meetings of the company, having consulted the relevant Cabinet Member to use of the vote.

Reason for Urgency

The Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Transport determined that his decision was urgent because it needed to be actioned at the Town Centre Management Ltd Annual General Meeting on 17 November 2011.

RECOMMENDED:

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Background Documents:

Memorandum and Articles of Association of Maidstone Town Centre Management Limited